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BRAZIL RECEIVES \$225,000 HOUSING REHABILITATION GRANT

The City of Brazil, Indiana, received a Homeowner Repair & Improvement Grant from the Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority. The City of Brazil applied for the CDBG funds in August, 2006. On October 26, 2006 the State announced that the City received \$225,000. The intended use of these funds is to do minor rehabilitation on 15 homes in the Corporate Limits of Brazil.

To date the City has received interest from more than fifty households. From the application pool, the City of Brazil has selected 15 individuals to participate. The individuals selected to participate were chosen based on a non biased ranking system, awarding points based on income, special needs households (i.e. elderly, disabled and single parent). These individuals can receive up to \$15,000 to do minor home repairs.

Consultations with beneficiaries will begin in November to identify the items to be rehabilitated. In mid December, the rehabilitation items will be placed out to bid. Rehabilitation is estimated to begin in mid February and be completed by the end of the summer. Contractors interested in bidding on this project should call Angie Pappano at 317-781-1651 to be placed on the Bidders List.

Though the City has already identified the beneficiaries of this program, participants are welcome to apply for consecutive grants by calling the City's Grant Administrator, Kenna Consulting at 317-781-1651.